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Attorney's Docket No.: 42P17831

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gary L. Graunke

Application No. 10/782,572

Filed: February 18, 2004

For: **AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
DISTRIBUTING PRIVATE KEYS TO AN ENTITY
WITH MINIMAL SECRET, UNIQUE
INFORMATION**

Examiner: Callahan, Paul E.

Art Unit: 2437

Confirmation No.: 4741

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 1, 2010 regarding the above-referenced application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments set forth below in consideration of the remarks that follow.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11.